



HUGH O'BRIAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP

2009 Alabama Leadership Seminar



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Troy University
Troy, Alabama



2009 Alabama HOBY Leadership Seminar



Vision

To motivate and empower individuals to make a positive difference within our global society, through understanding and action, based on effective and compassionate leadership.

Mission

To inspire and develop our global community of youth and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation.

Core Values

Volunteerism - Volunteerism is the heart and soul of our organization. We appreciate the myriad contributions of our volunteers, and recognize the power of thank you and of giving back. We seek to promote and encourage service among our stakeholders. We recognize and value the positive accomplishments that volunteers can achieve by working together. We believe that volunteers are positively impacted by our programs as much as the youth and communities we serve.

Integrity – Integrity forms the foundation of our organization. We demand the highest level of ethics. We grow our organization based on interactions that promote mutual trust and respect with our stakeholders and partners. We strive to ensure the highest level of organizational effectiveness by continually reviewing our programs and processes to improve quality and efficiency.

Excellence – We strive to continually raise our programs and business to new levels of excellence. We encourage entrepreneurship and innovation in business, education, and social responsibility. We develop creative solutions to address challenges and to utilize opportunities. We believe that leadership skills can and should be continually improved and refined.

Diversity – We value and embrace diversity. We seek out views that reflect all walks of life, and reflect those views in our programs. We are sensitive to the special needs and diverse backgrounds of individuals. We give all individuals an equal opportunity to be heard and to benefit from our programs.

Community Partnership – We value community partnerships. We recognize the importance of working with community organizations to strengthen our supportive network. We value the input we receive from our community partners, and strive to work together cooperatively and constructively for the betterment of all.

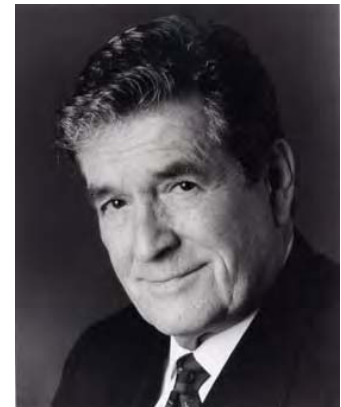


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Welcome HOBY Ambassador! The Future is Yours!

Spring 2009



Welcome HOBY Ambassadors:

Congratulations on being selected to attend the Alabama Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Seminar. You were chosen for the honor of representing your schools because of the outstanding leadership potential you have demonstrated. The purpose of this HOBY seminar is to teach you *how* to think – not *what* to think. You will get from life what you put into it, and that applies to a HOBY seminar too. We want to awaken in you that magic genie of self-esteem so important to any success. You were selected to attend HOBY because you are special: think special and you will always be special.

You will make many new friends this weekend – hang on tight to them – you have many more years of meaningful futures to share. You will also realize that a great many volunteers gave a great many hours to make this weekend possible. These volunteer speakers, staff, and committee members give their hours freely because they believe in the future of the United States and recognize that you outstanding young people represent the future.

You have been challenged this weekend to do what has been modeled for you. I sincerely encourage you to return to your own communities and seek out meaningful ways that you can use your leadership for community service.

I don't have any children of my own, but I've got a couple of hundred thousand like you out there who I'm proud to call my family. So, shine bright my friends; you are my tomorrow and the future is yours. I wish you love and Godspeed!

Love,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hugh O'Brian".

Hugh O'Brian, Founder

Please visit our website at <http://www.hoby.org>

2009 Alabama HOBY Leadership Seminar



Welcome to HOBY!

May 29, 2009

Dear HOBY Ambassadors:

Let me be among the first to welcome you to the 2009 HOBY seminar. I hope you have gotten plenty of rest and are full of energy, because today begins a three day experience that you will never forget. I promise you that when you pack your bags to go home on Sunday you will be going home as a different person. This weekend you will have the opportunity to open your hearts and minds to new people, ideas and challenges. You will be spending the next three days with 250 other high school sophomores, most of whom you will not know. When you leave here on Sunday I am confident that, not only will you have 249 new friends, but you will have a new appreciation for your leadership potential.

As part of the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Alabama Seminar, you are one of countless other high school sophomores attending one of the many HOBY seminars being conducted in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Bahamas.

The Alabama HOBY Committee has worked for the last eleven months planning this seminar for you. The Committee is made up of volunteers who take the time from busy schedules, careers, and family to see that your three-day seminar is the best it can be. I know you will have an **OUTSTANDING** experience. The Committee's reward will be your enthusiasm to be the best leader possible.

Throughout the weekend, you will have the opportunity to interact with many distinguished speakers and guests. You will make lasting friendships, learn the art of teamwork and be challenged by your peers to accomplish goals.

There have been many civic clubs, businesses and private individuals that have provided financial, material or time resources to help make your 2009 HOBY seminar possible. Please check the list of contributors found in the program book. We owe much appreciation to them.

Again, welcome to HOBY 2009! Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,

Daniel Gillenwater

Daniel Gillenwater
2009 Seminar Chairman

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 2009

I am pleased to send my warmest regards and congratulations to the participants in this year's Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Program (HOBY).

When I was in my early twenties, I worked as a community organizer for a group of churches on the South Side of Chicago in areas that had been devastated by steel plant closings. This opportunity provided me with the perspective that, even as a young adult, I could make a difference. Service has always been a cornerstone of my life—and will continue to be in my Presidency.

The year 2009 marks HOBY's 50th year of cultivating generations of America's future leaders, and I hope that the parents of HOBY Ambassadors will continue to provide the love and support our students need to grow into responsible young adults. Additionally, I encourage the HOBY Ambassadors to dream big dreams and always remember your service and active participation in your community—no matter how small—can have a profound effect on the world.

Again, congratulations on being a part of this year's HOBY program.



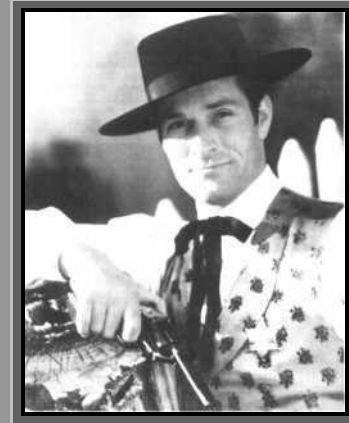
The HOBY Story

In the summer of 1958, Hugh O'Brian received the invitation that would change his life forever. At the time, O'Brian had already made a name for himself as an actor portraying the legendary lawman Wyatt Earp on television and appearing in numerous films. When he received a cable from Dr. Albert Schweitzer welcoming him to French Equatorial Africa for a visit, he did not hesitate to accept. O'Brian had long admired the German doctor-missionary-theologian-musician, and within two weeks he arrived at Dr. Schweitzer's remote hospital complex in Africa. During his visit, O'Brian spent his days assisting the volunteers in the hospital and his nights with Dr. Schweitzer discussing global peace and world politics. During their discussions, Dr. Schweitzer told O'Brian that he felt "The most important thing in education is to teach young people to think for themselves," which O'Brian would never forget.

After an inspiring nine days, O'Brian prepared to return to America. Before saying goodbye, Dr. Schweitzer took O'Brian's hand and asked, "Hugh, what are you going to do with this?" It was these words combined with his unforgettable visit that compelled Hugh O'Brian to form Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY). Two weeks after returning from his 1958 visit to Africa, O'Brian put together a prototype seminar for young leaders.

From 1958 to 1967, leadership seminars took place in Los Angeles for sophomores from California. In 1968 the scope of the HOBY program grew to include national and international participants which led to the expanded eight-day global leadership seminar called the World Leadership Congress (WLC) held annually. In an effort to include more students nationwide, three-day and four-day HOBY Leadership Seminars were instituted in 1977 in which high schools throughout the country may nominate a sophomore to attend a HOBY seminar in their state.

Five decades later, HOBY is still inspiring young people all over the world to develop their leadership and critical-thinking skills to achieve their highest potential. Currently, more than 9,000 tenth graders, representing almost as many high schools nationwide, attend HOBY Leadership Seminars each year. These seminars are run by over 4,000 volunteers with community leaders, business executives, educators, and parents involved in every seminar. Each seminar strives to follow the HOBY motto of teaching students, "how to think, not what to think," thus ensuring that Dr. Schweitzer's hope for young people lives on.



Hugh O'Brian:
Visionary, Legendary Humanitarian

Hugh O'Brian was born April 19, 1925 in Rochester, New York. At 17, he became the youngest drill instructor in Marine Corps history, but found his true passion was acting. O'Brian gained national fame and notoriety with his portrayal of frontier lawman Wyatt Earp in "The Life and Times of Wyatt Earp." This top-rated television series ran from 1955-1962 and made O'Brian an overnight success. After the series ended, O'Brian went on to other acting projects in film, television, and Broadway while devoting the rest of his time to HOBY.

The honors and awards he has received from his work with HOBY are numerous. In 1983, the National Society of Fund Raising Executives honored him with their premier award for overall philanthropic excellence as a volunteer, fundraiser and philanthropist. This is the only time one individual has received the award in all three categories. In 1989, he received the 60th Annual American Education Award presented by the American Association of School Administrators. O'Brian joins Norman Rockwell, Lyndon Johnson, Helen Keller, Walt Disney, and Bob Hope as a recipient of this most significant award. O'Brian currently lives in a hilltop home overlooking Beverly Hills. Still extremely active in his eighties, his hobbies include sailing, swimming, and tennis.

Schedule of Events

Day 1: May 29th

9:00-11:00	Trojan Village	Registration
11:00-12:00	Smith Hall	Welcome/Orientation Dr. Richard Federinko – Troy University Jimmy Lunsford, Mayor – City of Troy Daniel Gillenwater – 2009 HOBY Chairman
12:00-1:00	Dining Hall	Energizers and Lunch
1:00-2:00	Breakout Rooms	Group Time
2:00-2:30	Smith Hall	Energizers
2:30-5:30	Smith Hall	PHASE 1: PERSONAL LEADERSHIP Phase Introduction – Troy and Brittany Johnson Activity: “Leader Creatures...I’m a what?” Special Guest: Amanda Tapley; Miss Alabama 2008
5:30-6:00	Breakout Rooms	Group Time
6:00-7:00	location	Dinner / Cookout on the Green
7:00-8:30	Smith Hall	PHASE 2: GROUP LEADERSHIP Phase Introduction – DJ and Tara Strickland Activity: Gum Drop Game
8:30-9:00		Break
9:00-11:00	Trojan Ctr. Ballroom	Fun Time
11:00-11:30	Trojan Village	Return to Dorms
11:30	Trojan Village	Lights Out!

Schedule of Events

Day 2: May 30th

7:00am	Trojan Village	Wake Up!
7:30-9:00	Dining Hall	Breakfast
9:00-9:30		Break (Walk to Stadium)
9:30-10:30	Stadium	Photo Session
10:30-11:00	Smith Hall	Energizers
11:00-12:00	Smith Hall	<p>PHASE 2: GROUP LEADERSHIP, Continued</p> <p>Keynote Speaker: Education In Alabama: Kids, Politics And Our Economic Future</p> <p>Panelists: Ms. Stephanie Bell – Alabama State Board of Education</p> <p>Dr. Robin Bynum – Troy University</p> <p>Miss Keisha Smith – Auburn University Student and “War Eagle Girl”</p>
12:00-12:30	Breakout Rooms	Group Time
12:30-2:00	Dining Hall	Lunch
2:00-2:30	Trojan Ctr. Ballroom	Leadership for Service Introduction – Andrew and Shelly Atkins
2:30-5:30	Trojan Ctr. Ballroom	<p>L4S Panel: “Perspectives on Poverty”</p> <p>Special Guest: Manna Ministries, Birmingham, Alabama</p> <p>Leadership for Service Project Execution</p>
5:30-6:00	Trojan Ctr. Ballroom	Energizers
6:00-7:00	Dining Hall	Dinner
7:00-8:00	Breakout Rooms	Skit Preparations
8:00-8:30	Smith Hall	Energizers
8:30 – 10:00	Smith Hall	Skits
10:00-11:00	Smith Hall	Reflections
11:00-11:30	Trojan Village	Return to Dorms
11:30	Trojan Village	Lights Out!

Schedule of Events

Day 3: May 31st

6:30am		Wake-Up!
7:30-8:30	Dining Hall	Interdenominational Prayer Breakfast
8:45-11:00	Smith Hall	PHASE 3: LEADERSHIP FOR SOCIETY, Continued Phase Introduction – Ryan Spry and Amy Scaro Activity: The Miniature Earth Panel: “Spirit of Democracy” Special Guest: Ms. Eva Newman
11:00-12:00	Smith Hall	Life with HOBY, Futures Kits and Post Seminar Evaluation
11:00-12:00	Sartain Center	Parents Orientation
12:00-2:00	Sartain Center	Closing Reception
2:00	Trojan Village	Check-out and Homeward Bound – Have a Safe Trip!

Leadership Seminar Curriculum

The curriculum for this Leadership Seminar is based on HOBY's vision to motivate and empower individuals to make a positive difference within our global society. HOBY believes students like you represent the future leaders of the world – leaders in business, education, government, or any field you choose – because YOU are someone who will make a difference. By developing and understanding effective and compassionate leadership, we hope you will be able to realize your leadership potential, and take action in your homes, schools, workplace, communities and the world.

Your HOBY experience will help you develop leadership from three perspectives:

1. Personal Leadership;
2. Group Leadership;
- and 3. Leadership for Society.

We will focus on your individual growth in order for your leadership to make a better world and a better society for yourself and others.

Everyone at HOBY believes in your ability to be a leader and affect the future for all of us. So, stand out and be outstanding! Show us who you are and what you can do. HOBY is your open door to a life of leadership and service. We can't wait to learn what potential you will unlock through HOBY.

World Leadership Congress

Held annually in late summer, the HOBY World Leadership Congress (WLC) is an opportunity to interact with youth from all over the United States and the world. All participants from the state HOBY Leadership Seminars are eligible to attend this weeklong, intensive, educational program on a first paid, space-available basis.

The WLC program includes coming face-to-face with today's top leaders in business, government, medicine, education, philanthropy and much more. In addition, the weeklong schedule is set in the backdrop of some of the greatest cities in the U.S. WLC students learn to think globally and critically, enhance their leadership skills, and meet students who share a desire to lead and make their schools, communities and countries better places. For more information on the WLC, visit www.hoby.org.

HOBY's Selection Process

Each September, HOBY Sophomore Registration Kits are sent to over 22,000 public, private and charter high schools in the United States. All tenth graders are eligible for selection to attend one of the three- or four-day weekend seminars held in their area each spring. A sophomore leader may be selected by each school and is certified by the principal.

HOBY's seminars focus on the theme "Empower. Lead. Excel." while encouraging the young leaders toward responsible citizenship, including community service and volunteerism.

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Straughn High School

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Jordan Moore

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America's Promise – The Alliance for Youth
American Humanics, Inc.
The American Red Cross
AMVETS
AYUSA International
City Year
College Options Foundation
The Congressional Award
Corporation for National Service
Council of Chief State School Officers
Foundation for Teaching Economics
Military Order of the World Wars
National Association of Manufacturers
National Assn. of Secondary School Principals
National Catholic Educational Association
National FFA Organization
National Management Association
National Parents Teachers Association
National School Boards Association
Optimist International
Points of Light & Hands on Network
Presidential Classroom
SCORE
United Nations Foundation
US Chamber of Commerce
US Junior Chamber of Commerce
Youth For Understanding USA

HOW WILL YOU LEAD THROUGH SERVICE?

Leadership for Service

HOBY's Commitment to Volunteerism

As you will learn this weekend, one of the most powerful ways to show leadership is through service to others. HOBY believes so strongly in the idea of servant leadership that we answered the call and created an initiative that challenges all Ambassadors to continue their HOBY experience long after the seminar concludes. **Leadership for Service (LAS)** is HOBY's service-leadership program intended to prepare young people to contribute to their communities through service-learning and volunteerism.

The objectives of *Leadership for Service* are:

- To inform Ambassadors about the role and impact of community service;
- To facilitate setting short-term community service goals;
- To provide opportunities to connect with community service organizations; and
- To provide documentation of program impact and effectiveness.

Each Ambassador is challenged to return to his/her community and conduct at least 100 hours of community service in the year following the HOBY Leadership Seminar.

Ambassadors are asked to make a year-long commitment to strengthen their communities through volunteerism, and to track their success by logging their hours on the HOBY website, www.hoby.org in the Alumni section. Since the implementation of HOBY's *Leadership for Service* program in 1998, participants have logged over 1,000,000 volunteer service hours.

Through HOBY's *Leadership for Service* programs, Ambassadors gain the tools, passion and commitment to serve others. To help young people realize the personal and social benefits of volunteerism and service, HOBY awards each Ambassador who successfully completes and logs 100 hours a special recognition packet, which includes recognition by the White House and the President's Student Service Award.

What happens after your HOBY seminar is over? You become a HOBY Alumna.

Welcome! You are now a part of the family of fellow HOBY Alumni who number 365,000 strong!

Being a **HOBY Alum** is special. HOBY alumni serve their communities; they lead in their schools and communities; they go on to realize success in a number of areas. In short, they **change the world.**

Being an active member of the HOBY Alumni Association means having access to numerous opportunities exclusively available to HOBY alumni, including leadership and educational programs, scholarships and grants.

Don't let your HOBY experience end on Sunday.

Make sure you stay active in the HOBY Alumni Association.

Current alumni:

- Return to *volunteer* at HOBY Leadership Seminars and the World Leadership Congress
- Apply for highly competitive college and university *scholarships* like the Moorehead-Cain and Robertson Scholarships
- Participate in additional educational and *leadership programs* and seminars such as Presidential Classroom, Foundation for Teaching Economics' "Economics for Leaders" and Youth For Understanding's study abroad program
- Log their *Leadership for Service* hours at www.hoby.org in the alumni section

For more information on opportunities available to HOBY alumni and to stay involved visit the Alumni section of www.hoby.org

The HOBY Alumni Association wants you!

"I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I do know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve."

Albert Schweitzer, 1952 Nobel Peace Prize Winner

The Freedom to Choose

Unfortunately, a very small number of our young people seem to attract the most of the news. They are in the public eye because they have stolen cars, vandalized schools, created disturbances – in some way rebelled against society. These headline-makers represent only a small part of our teenage population. It is a fact that 98.7 percent of our young people are law-abiding, constructive citizens. There is too much focus on the negative. It is time we accent the positive – pat the good guys and gals on the back – let them know there are rewards for being responsible members of the community.

I do NOT believe we are all born equal – CREATED equal in the eyes of God, YES – but physical and emotional differences, parental guidance, varying environments, being in the right place at the right time, all play a role in enhancing or limiting an individual's development. But I DO believe every man and woman, if given the opportunity and encouragement to recognize his or her own potential, regardless of background has the Freedom To Choose in our world. Will an individual be a taker or a giver in life? Will that person be satisfied merely to exist, or seek a meaningful purpose? Will he or she dare to dream the impossible dream?

I believe every person is created as the steward of his or her own destiny with great power for a specific purpose to share with others, through service, a reverence for life in a spirit of love.



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- “By encouraging leadership and educating teenagers about the vast world of opportunities before them, the Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) program is making a very important contribution to our nation’s future.”
Hillary Rodham Clinton, United States Secretary of State
- “Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) – and its countless volunteers – have developed a way to educate America’s next generation in the art and purposes of leading a free people; and that is an enduring and significant achievement.”
George H. W. Bush, 41st President of the United States, and First Lady Barbara Bush
- “The continued vitality of American business, our communities and our nation is highly dependent upon the knowledge and capabilities of our young people. Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) nurtures today’s young people into tomorrow’s leaders.”
Al Gore, Former Vice-President of the United States, and Tipper Gore
- “You know, we business people like to say we’re driven by the bottom line. The real bottom line is the future, and we owe it to our youth to prepare them for that. Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) does just that. By promoting leadership, HOBY is building a corps of young people who will be prepared to meet the challenges facing future generations.”
Ted Turner, Chairman, Turner Broadcasting Systems
- “Attending the Hugh O’Brian Leadership (HOBY) seminar in 1971 was a genuine turning point in my life. It was my first time to fly on an airplane, travel out of the state, and meet people from around the nation and world. I forged friendships that have continued for years, and the impact of HOBY is a large part of why I am Governor of my state today.”
Mike Huckabee, Republican Presidential Candidate and former Governor, State of Arkansas, and 1971 HOBY Alumnus